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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 09/599,255; Filed: June 23, 2000
For: **Rechargeable Mobile Hand-Held Fingerprint Scanner With a Data
and Power Communication Interface**
Inventors: MCCLURG *et al.*
Our Ref: 1823.0080001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Statement of the Substance of an Interview; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

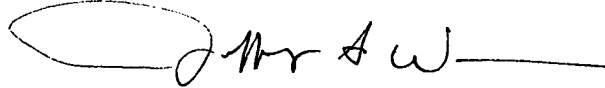
It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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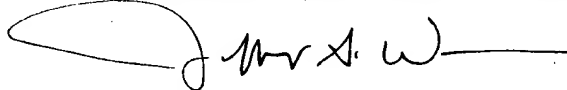
Applicants note that an Interview Summary has been issued in the present matter. Hence, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b) and MPEP § 713.04, Applicants' undersigned representative provides the following statement of the substance of the interview held with the Examiner in the above-indicated application.

The Examiner contacted Lori A. Gordon, attorney for Applicant, by telephone on November 16, 2004. During the interview, the Examiner and Ms. Gordon discussed the priority claim on page 1 of the specification. The Examiner and Ms. Gordon agreed to an Examiner's Amendment to amend the specification to cross reference PCT/US99/22709. The Examiner subsequently issued a Notice of Allowance dated December 3, 2004 including an Examiner's Amendment. Applicants agree with the Examiner's Amendment and its entry into the record.

Applicants respectfully request that this statement be entered into the record. It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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